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Unemployment in New Hampshire was 12,080 in June 1988. This represents a decrease of 290 from the May level and a decrease of 3,740 from June 1987. The unemployment rate declined from 2.1 percent in May to 2.0 percent in June. This is the lowest unemployment rate of any state since 1976. The rate also showed a marked decrease from the same month in 1987 when the rate was 2.6 percent. The New Hampshire civilian labor force was estimated to be 609,200 in June, up 8,780 from June 1987 (600,420).

The lowest unemployment rate in the state for June 1988 was in the Laconia Labor Market Area (LMA), which had a rate of 1.3 percent. It was followed by the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and the Keene LMA at 1.4 percent and the Claremont and Concord LMA's at 1.6 percent. The New Hampshire portion of the Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA also showed a rate of 1.6 percent. The highest unemployment rate was in the New Hampshire portion of the Lowell MA Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area (PMSA)(Pelham) at 3.8 percent.

The most recent comparable data for all states (May 1988) showed that New Hampshire (2.1 percent) had the lowest unemployment rate in the nation. Five of the six New England states had unemployment rates of less than 3.0 percent. Louisiana, the only state with a double digit unemployment rate, continued to have the highest rate at 10.5 percent.

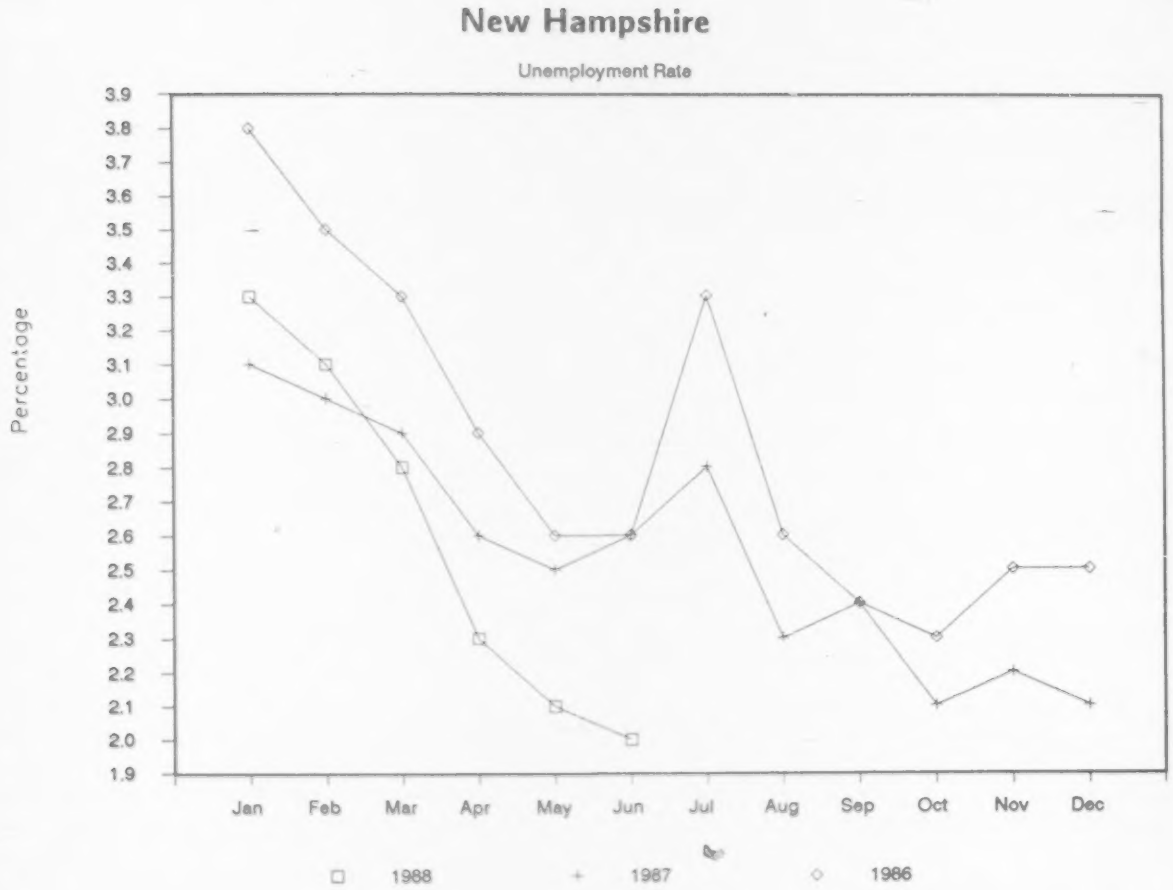
Nationally, the unadjusted unemployment rate in June, 5.5 percent, was again slightly higher than the previous month (5.4 percent). This is, however, a decrease from last year's unadjusted rate of 6.3 percent. Unemployment in the United States was 6,819,000 in June 1988, an increase of 266,000 from May. This increase in unemployment was offset by an increase in the civilian labor force of 2,253,000. The twelve month change from June 1987 showed a decrease in unemployment of 836,000.

The New Hampshire nonagricultural wage and salary employment in June increased to 538,550, up 8,300 from the May level of 530,250 and 19,400 from June 1987. These estimates are computed using results of sampling New Hampshire employers each month. Therefore, nonagricultural employment estimates are based on place of work rather than place of residence. Manufacturing employment (121,550) increased 1,050 from May 1988 (120,500) and increased 3,350 from June 1987 (118,200). Durable manufactured goods employment (85,000) increased 550 from May 1988 and increased 2,900 from the same month last year. Nondurable manufactured goods employment (36,550) also showed increases of 500 from last month and 450 from the previous year. The major area of job loss for manufacturing was in the miscellaneous products sector (-50 from June 1987). Nonmanufacturing employment (417,000) increased 7,250 from May 1988 and 16,050 from June 1987. The largest increase in employment was experienced by the services and other miscellaneous industries (121,400), which increased 4,100 from last month and 6,350 from last June. Also showing large increases, both for the month and for the year, were trade (136,950), which increased 2,950 and 5,850 for the month and for the year, respectively, and construction (including mining) (41,950) which increased for the month and year by 1,650 and 2,400, respectively. Job losses in the nonmanufacturing sector occurred in total government (64,400), down 2,450 from May 1988 and 1,250 from June 1987. The major decreases in this sector were in state government (16,100), down 1,700 from May 1988, and in local government (39,550), down 800 from May 1988 and 1,300 from June 1987. State and local government employment changes are attributed to seasonal fluctuations caused by decreases in education employment.

Average weekly earnings for the manufacturing sector of New Hampshire rose $5.86 in June to $392.23 from $386.37 in May 1988. This was an increase of $15.69 from June 1987 ($376.54). Average weekly hours increased slightly (0.4 hours) from May (40.5 hours) to June (40.9 hours) and 0.8 hours from June 1987 (40.1 hours). Average hourly earnings also increased from May to June, from $9.54 to $9.59. This is an increase of $0.25 per hour from June 1987 ($9.39). The highest average hourly earnings for durable goods manufacturing was in the electrical products sector ($10.44); the food and kindred products sector had the highest average hourly earnings for nondurable goods manufacturing ($11.04).

It should be noted that annual benchmark revisions have caused changes in previous unemployment rates for New Hampshire as well as other states. Due to these changes, the number of consecutive months New Hampshire has had the lowest unemployment rate is now eight months. However, New Hampshire has had, either solely or tied with another state, the lowest annual average unemployment rate since 1983. New Hampshire and South Dakota were tied at 5.4 percent in 1983 and at 4.3 percent in 1984. New Hampshire and Massachusetts were tied at 3.9 percent in 1985. In 1986 and 1987, New Hampshire had the lowest unemployment rates of 2.8 percent and 2.5 percent, respectively.

(Note: Although monthly changes are included in this publication, it should be noted that these figures are not seasonally adjusted. Over-the-month comparisons may be affected by seasonal changes and thus could present a misleading representation of underlying trends. To eliminate bias, it is more useful to compare any non-seasonally-adjusted statistic with that of twelve months earlier.)



NEW HAMPSHIRE CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AS OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

Industry	Number of Workers June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	Numerical Change From Previous Month	Previous Year
1. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE**	609,200	598,830	600,420	10,370	8,780
2. UNEMPLOYMENT	12,080	12,370	15,820	-290	-3,740
PERCENT OF LABOR FORCE	2.0	2.1	2.6	xxx	xxx
3. EMPLOYMENT TOTAL	597,020	586,360	584,600	10,660	12,420
4. PERSONS INVOLVED IN LABOR DISPUTES	100	100	0	0	100
NONAGRI. WAGE & SALARY	538,550	530,250	519,150	8,300	19,400
MANUFACTURING	121,550	120,500	118,200	1,050	3,350
Durable Goods	85,000	84,450	82,100	550	2,900
Lumber & Wood Prods.	6,350	6,100	6,350	250	0
Furniture & Fixtures	1,800	1,750	1,500	50	300
Stone & Clay Prods.	3,750	3,700	3,500	50	250
Primary Metal Prods.	4,500	4,500	4,350	0	150
Fabricated Metal Prods.	7,000	6,950	6,700	50	300
Machinery (Exc. Elec.)	26,000	25,900	25,250	100	750
Electrical Prods.	23,950	23,900	22,900	50	1,050
Miscellaneous Prods.	2,050	2,050	2,100	0	-50
Other Durable Goods	9,600	9,600	9,450	0	150
Nondurable Goods	36,550	36,050	36,100	500	450
Food & Kindred Prods.	2,900	2,900	2,900	0	0
Textile Mill Prods.	3,800	3,700	3,900	100	-100
Apparel	1,750	1,750	2,000	0	-250
Paper & Allied Prods.	5,700	5,650	5,600	50	100
Print., Pub. & Allied	8,900	8,750	7,850	150	1,050
Leather & Lea. Prods.	3,550	3,500	3,950	50	-400
Other Nondurable Goods	9,950	9,800	9,900	150	50
Nonmanufacturing	417,000	409,750	400,950	7,250	16,050
Construction (inc. mining)	41,950	40,300	39,550	1,650	2,400
Transp., comm. & utilities	18,000	17,500	17,600	500	400
Trade	136,950	134,000	131,100	2,950	5,850
Finance, Ins. & Real Estate	34,300	33,800	32,000	500	2,300
Service Industry & Other	121,400	117,300	115,050	4,100	6,350
Government	64,400	66,850	65,650	-2,450	-1,250
Federal	8,750	8,700	8,700	50	50
State	16,100	17,800	16,100	-1,700	0
Local	39,550	40,350	40,850	-800	-1,300

* By place of residence
** By place of establishment

Labor Disputes: 0

MSA LABOR FORCE, TOTAL EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT, AND NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT AS OF THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH

Industry	Manchester MSA Number of Workers			Manchester MSA Numerical Change From Previous		Nashua PMSA Number of Workers			Nashua PMSA Numerical Change From Previous		Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA Number of Workers			Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA Numerical Change From Previous	
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	Month	Year	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	Month	Year	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	Month	Year
1. CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE*	85,300	84,440	85,970	860	-670	100,330	99,360	98,600	970	1,730	137,120	134,210	134,710	2,910	2,410
2. UNEMPLOYMENT	1,500	1,460	1,940	40	-440	2,640	2,380	2,960	260	-320	1,980	2,020	3,120	-40	-1,140
PERCENT OF LABOR FORCE	1.8	1.7	2.3	xxx	xxx	2.6	2.4	3.0	xxx	xxx	1.4	1.5	2.3	xxx	xxx
3. EMPLOYMENT TOTAL	83,700	82,880	84,030	820	-330	97,690	96,980	95,640	710	2,050	135,140	132,190	131,590	2,950	3,550
4. PERSONS INVOLVED IN LABOR DISPUTES	100	100	0	0	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NONAGRI. WAGE & SALARY	87,150	86,400	86,100	750	1,050	97,150	96,250	93,850	900	3,300	117,050	114,100	111,850	2,950	5,200
MANUFACTURING	11,850	11,850	12,500	0	-650	37,300	37,200	36,550	100	750	21,200	20,850	20,950	350	250
Durable Goods	7,250	7,350	7,750	-100	-500	31,050	30,950	30,250	100	800	13,500	13,350	12,850	150	650
Machinery & elec. prods.	4,100	4,150	4,400	-50	-300	23,550	23,400	22,700	150	850					
Other durables	3,150	3,200	3,350	-50	-200	7,500	7,550	7,550	-50	-50					
Nondurable Goods	4,600	4,500	4,750	100	-150	6,250	6,250	6,300	0	-50	7,700	7,500	8,100	200	-400
Textile mill prods.	1,150	1,100	1,350	50	-200										
Other nondurables	3,450	3,400	3,400	50	50										
NONMANUFACTURING	75,300	74,550	73,600	750	1,700	59,850	59,050	57,300	800	2,550	95,850	93,250	90,900	2,600	4,950
Construction (inc. mining)	6,200	6,000	5,900	200	300	6,100	5,800	5,300	300	800	6,700	6,450	6,300	250	400
Transp., comm. & utilities	5,500	5,400	5,200	100	300	2,200	2,150	2,200	50	0	3,200	3,100	3,050	100	150
Trade	24,350	24,050	23,550	300	800	21,750	21,650	21,150	100	600	32,150	30,550	30,250	1,600	1,900
Finance, ins. & real est.	8,600	8,700	8,500	-100	100	4,150	4,100	3,950	50	200	6,850	6,750	6,550	100	300
Service industry & other	22,000	21,800	21,950	200	50	18,800	18,100	18,000	700	800	22,850	21,650	20,700	1,200	2,150
Government	8,650	8,600	8,500	50	150	6,850	7,250	6,700	-400	150	24,100	24,750	24,050	-650	50
Federal	2,700	2,650	2,650	50	50	950	900	900	50	50	10,450	10,400	10,300	50	150
State	850	850	850	0	0	200	250	250	-50	-50	3,450	4,250	4,350	-800	-900
Local	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	100	5,700	6,100	5,550	-400	150	10,200	10,100	9,400	100	800

* By place of residence Benchmark Labor Disputes: 0

** By place of establishment

Manchester MSA: includes the city of Manchester and the towns of Allenstown, Auburn, Bedford, Candia, Goffstown, and Hooksett

Nashua PMSA: includes the city of Nashua and the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Londonderry, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, and Wilton

Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester NH-ME MSA: includes the New Hampshire cities of Dover, Portsmouth, Rochester, and Somersworth, the New Hampshire towns of Barrington, Durham, Exeter, Farmington, Greenland, Hampton, Lee, Madbury, Milton, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Rollingsford, Rye, and Stratham, and the Maine towns of Berwick, Eliot, Kittery, North Berwick, Ogunquit, South Berwick, Wells, and York.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT AND LABOR FORCE BY AREA AND COUNTY

Area	Unemployment* June 1988 Number	June 1988 Rate	May 1988 Number	May 1988 Rate	June 1987 Number	June 1987 Rate	Numerical Change From Previous Month	Numerical Change From Previous Year	Civilian Labor Force June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	Numerical Change From Previous Month	Numerical Change From Previous Year
UNITED STATES**	6,819	5.5	6,553	5.4	7,655	6.3	266	-836	123,028	120,775	121,153	2,253	1,875
NEW HAMPSHIRE	12,080	2.0	12,370	2.1	15,820	2.6	-290	-3740	609,200	598,830	600,420	10,370	8,780
BERLIN LMA	430	1.7	770	3.1	640	2.5	-340	-210	25,820	25,220	25,270	600	550
CLAREMONT LMA	630	1.6	830	2.1	580	1.5	-200	50	40,280	40,400	39,240	-120	1,040
CONCORD LMA	900	1.6	900	1.7	1,070	2.0	0	-170	55,400	54,480	53,930	920	1,470
KEENE LMA	590	1.4	590	1.4	670	1.7	0	-80	41,430	40,950	40,210	480	1,220
LACONIA LMA	710	1.3	770	1.4	890	1.6	-60	-180	56,640	54,050	55,130	2,590	1,510
LITTLETON LMA	370	1.9	530	2.9	450	2.4	-160	-80	19,260	18,110	18,910	1,150	350
MANCHESTER MSA	1,500	1.8	1,460	1.7	1,940	2.3	40	-440	85,300	84,440	85,970	860	-670
NASHUA PMSA	2,640	2.6	2,380	2.4	2,960	3.0	260	-320	100,330	99,360	98,600	970	1,730
NH PORTION LAWRENCE-HAVERHILL, MA PMSA***	1,810	3.5	1,650	3.2	2,590	5.0	160	-780	51,300	50,870	51,860	430	-560
PORTSMOUTH-DOVER-ROCHESTER NH-ME MSA	1,980	1.4	2,020	1.5	3,120	2.3	-40	-1,140	137,120	134,210	134,710	2,910	2,410
UNATTACHED ESTIMATING AREAS****	610	2.8	550	2.6	960	4.5	60	-350	21,510	21,140	21,500	370	10
NH PORTION LOWELL MA PMSA	200	3.8	190	3.6	290	5.4	10	-90	5,270	5,270	5,400	0	-130
County													
BELKNAP	340	1.2	370	1.3	470	1.7	-30	-130	29,210	27,920	28,470	1,290	740
CARROLL	250	1.3	320	1.7	330	1.8	-70	-80	18,990	18,310	18,520	680	470
CHESHIRE	550	1.5	550	1.5	610	1.7	0	-60	36,980	36,560	35,880	420	1,100
COOS	480	2.3	820	4.1	610	3.0	-340	-130	20,590	20,040	20,150	550	440
GRAFTON	600	1.4	680	1.7	780	1.9	-80	-180	42,290	40,810	41,400	1,480	890
HILLSBOROUGH	4,290	2.3	3,930	2.1	5,130	2.8	360	-840	186,850	184,890	185,630	1,960	1,220
MERRIMACK	980	1.5	990	1.5	1,150	1.8	-10	-170	65,970	64,680	64,450	1,290	1,520
ROCKINGHAM	3,200	2.5	3,050	2.4	4,760	3.8	150	-1,560	126,590	124,890	125,990	1,700	600
STRAFFORD	990	1.6	1,060	1.8	1,680	2.8	-70	-690	61,020	59,860	59,830	1,160	1,190
SULLIVAN	400	1.9	600	2.9	300	1.5	-200	100	20,710	20,870	20,100	-160	610

* Based on the Bureau of Labor Statistics "43 Step Method" handbook adjusted to the Current Population Survey (CPS) estimates.

** In thousands, not seasonally adjusted.

*** New Hampshire Portion of the Lawrence-Haverhill, Massachusetts Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area which includes Salem and twelve small towns.

**** Includes twenty towns previously in either Dover, Portsmouth, Manchester or Nashua LMAS.

AVERAGE EARNINGS AND HOURS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Sample Percent of Production Workers 39%
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	
All manufacturing	$392.23	$386.37	$376.54	40.9	40.5	40.1	$9.59	$9.54	$9.39	Total Production Workers: 82,900
Durable goods	395.04	391.48	388.24	40.6	40.4	40.4	9.73	9.69	9.61	
Lumber & wood prods.	315.75	317.94	310.66	38.6	39.3	38.4	8.18	8.09	8.09	
Furniture & fixtures	301.90	307.91	311.88	40.2	41.0	41.2	7.51	7.51	7.57	
Stone & clay prods.	371.87	386.90	356.06	41.0	42.1	40.6	9.07	9.19	8.77	
Primary metal prods.	435.15	442.23	401.72	45.0	46.6	42.6	9.67	9.49	9.43	Firms Reporting: 300
Fab. metal prods.	401.58	394.42	385.81	41.4	41.0	41.0	9.70	9.62	9.41	
Mach. (exc. elec.)	428.71	417.74	414.52	42.7	41.9	43.0	10.04	9.97	9.64	
Electrical prods.	399.85	395.10	406.22	38.3	37.7	38.0	10.44	10.48	10.69	
Miscellaneous prods.	338.70	337.45	331.70	39.8	39.7	40.6	8.51	8.50	8.17	
Other durables	394.94	388.49	385.01	40.8	40.3	40.4	9.68	9.64	9.53	
Nondurable goods	384.09	375.77	352.84	41.3	40.8	39.6	9.30	9.21	8.91	
Food & kindred prods.	462.58	449.44	467.10	41.9	40.6	43.9	11.04	11.07	10.64	
Textile mill prods.	334.15	329.23	311.00	41.0	41.0	40.6	8.15	8.03	7.66	
Apparel	245.44	236.57	222.48	36.2	35.1	34.6	6.78	6.74	6.43	
Paper & allied prods.	530.67	519.23	515.90	50.3	48.8	48.9	10.55	10.64	10.55	
Print., pub. & allied	383.80	376.81	363.44	38.0	38.1	38.5	10.10	9.89	9.44	
Leather & lea. prods.	214.17	210.74	164.61	35.4	35.3	31.0	6.05	5.97	5.31	
Footwear	214.78	211.87	184.80	35.5	35.6	35.0	6.05	5.95	5.28	
Other nondurables	406.62	397.32	356.28	42.4	42.0	38.6	9.59	9.46	9.23	

Manchester MSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Sample Percent of Production Workers: 51%
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	
All manufacturing	$406.78	$400.58	$371.97	40.8	40.3	40.3	$9.97	$9.94	$9.23	Total Production Workers: 9,000
Durable goods	402.87	405.58	386.50	39.0	39.3	39.6	10.33	10.32	9.76	
Mach. & elec. prods.	415.76	422.47	398.52	39.9	40.7	40.5	10.42	10.38	9.84	
Other durables	387.34	384.75	371.53	37.9	37.5	38.5	10.22	10.26	9.65	
Nondurable goods	413.03	392.46	346.10	43.8	42.2	41.4	9.43	9.30	8.36	Firms Reporting: 39
Textiles & apparel	356.58	317.60	287.98	42.0	39.8	37.4	8.49	7.98	7.70	
Other nondurables	432.01	417.96	371.52	44.4	43.0	43.2	9.73	9.72	8.60	

Nashua PMSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Sample Percent of Production Workers: 39%
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	
All manufacturing	$470.40	$471.77	$455.63	40.0	40.6	40.5	$11.76	$11.62	$11.25	Total Production Workers: 20,050
Durable goods	481.14	483.85	461.54	40.5	40.9	40.7	11.88	11.83	11.34	
Mach. & elec. prods.	510.15	512.23	494.51	39.7	39.8	40.6	12.85	12.87	12.18	
Other durables	412.85	417.07	381.36	42.3	43.4	40.7	9.76	9.61	9.37	
Nondurable goods	432.04	422.97	431.24	38.2	39.2	39.6	11.31	10.79	10.89	Firms Reporting: 53

Portsmouth-Dover-Rochester MSA

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Sample Percent of Production Workers: 32%
	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	June 1988	May 1988	June 1987	
All Manufacturing	$364.72	$364.91	$365.88	40.3	40.1	39.3	$9.05	$9.10	$9.31	Total Production Workers: 14,650
Durable Goods	402.93	394.94	406.00	40.7	40.3	40.6	9.90	9.80	10.00	
Nondurable Goods	300.96	313.23	297.54	39.6	39.7	37.1	7.60	7.89	8.02	Firms Reporting: 30

New Hampshire Labor Supply and Demand

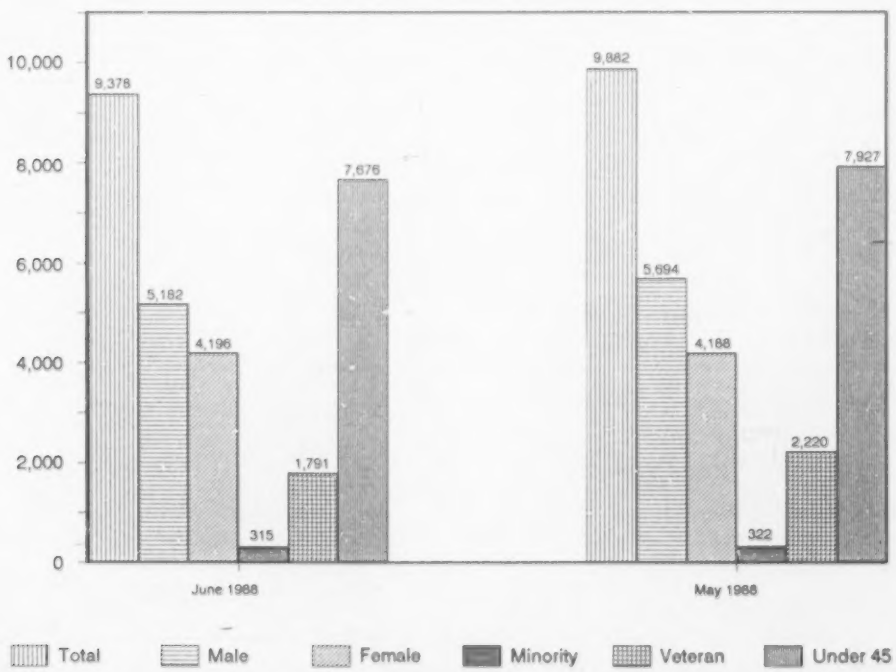
For the month of June there were 9,378 active applicants, 504 fewer than the 9,882 applicants reported for May. Job openings received for the same period amounted to 2,044 for June, which was a decline of only 18 from the May level of 2,062. Clerical and services active applicants comprised 42 percent of all active applicants in the Lakes Region, significantly higher than almost all other regions of the State. This is an area experiencing rapid economic growth, with services dominating change. Growth has intensified a labor shortage problem that exists throughout the State. However, even though labor markets are tight, the higher than average proportion of the available labor pool that indicates clerical and services experience may allow easier expansion over the short term in the Lakes Region.

The decrease in the number of active applicants (504) from May (9,378) to June (9,882) was most obvious in the decrease of structural worker applicants (-334) and service worker applicants (-119). The Claremont (-69), Manchester (-56), and Portsmouth (-54) local offices reported the sharpest decline in the number of active applicants in structural occupations, while Claremont (-47), Manchester (-44), Berlin (-26), Laconia (-22), and Littleton (-14) posted decreases in the number of services applicants. Most of the decrease in the number of services related active applicants is due to the approach of summer and the influx of tourists that will generate the need for summer workers. With the unemployment rate remaining low (2.1 percent for May) fewer workers will be available. This especially applies to youth (16-21 years), many of whom are already working part-time jobs expandable into full-time jobs, and will be unavailable for new full-time summer work. This situation has left employers generally in a very difficult position.

Between May and June the number of male active applicants declined from just under 5,700 to 5,100, while the number of female active applicants in June (1,800) declined 450 from May (2,250). Minority applicants showed almost no change between the two months.

The number of job openings received for June (2,061) was virtually identical to the number received in May (2,062). The only occupations that had an increase in the number of jobs openings received were farm and sales. Farm job openings increased in Manchester from 6 in May to 177 in June and in Nashua from 8 to 88 as fruit and vegetable farmers prepared for a new season. Much of the increase in sales job openings (27) was concentrated in Laconia where a new clothing store will open in July. Occupations with fewer job openings received in June than in May include services (-112), professional, technical and managerial (-45), machine trades (-28), structural work (-25), and clerical (-17).

Active Job Applicants by Category



JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY OCCUPATION
JUNE 1988

	Prof. Tech. & Mgr.	Clerical	Sales	Services	Farm	Process	Machine Trade	Benchwork	Struc. Work	Motor Freight & Trans.	Packaging & Material Handling	Misc.	Total
State	112	329	144	346	286	36	148	98	329	78	128	10	2,044
Berlin	0	18	3	40	0	0	16	2	8	7	7	0	101
Claremont	7	17	3	7	6	4	13	8	16	4	28	1	114
Concord	5	21	1	12	8	0	4	4	26	5	0	1	87
Conway	6	11	13	7	3	0	2	4	13	2	4	1	65
Dover	30	24	12	31	7	11	12	8	54	4	7	0	204
Keene	11	20	12	20	26	1	9	10	42	6	21	4	178
Laconia	7	32	44	43	10	1	15	07	22	8	16	0	205
Lebanon	11	12	2	12	0	0	6	3	19	10	3	0	79
Littleton	5	19	5	40	2	3	9	3	21	3	1	0	111
Manchester	4	58	18	56	117	13	22	26	37	8	13	1	373
Nashua	6	23	11	26	88	1	22	10	21	9	9	0	226
Portsmouth	11	54	16	35	12	2	11	8	42	9	16	0	216
Salem	2	19	4	14	6	0	7	5	5	3	3	1	69
All Other	7	1	0	3	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	16

Source: Employment Security Automated Reporting System - Table 10

Openings Received are jobs listed by employers with a local office of the Department of Employment Security during the month. The figures are not cumulative.

ACTIVE JOB APPLICANTS BY OCCUPATION
JUNE 1988

	Prof. Tech. & Mgr.	Clerical	Sales	Services	Farm	Process	Machine Trades	Benchwork	Struc. Work	Motor Freight & Trans.	Packaging & Material Handling	Misc.	Total
State	1,798	1,927	507	1,288	133	166	581	649	1,467	338	468	56	9,378
Berlin	15	75	27	67	6	54	14	9	65	22	14	1	369
Claremont	48	84	12	44	4	3	53	20	38	7	40	2	355
Concord	307	248	58	156	25	10	79	61	244	57	43	11	1,299
Conway	27	26	4	23	4	1	3	6	25	2	4	0	125
Dover	199	270	60	158	24	25	102	99	253	37	31	7	1,235
Keene	121	149	57	112	10	1	54	36	105	79	37	4	715
Laconia	85	141	29	96	14	6	34	30	94	10	20	1	560
Lebanon	102	79	19	43	7	1	19	23	40	14	7	2	356
Littleton	47	92	18	87	2	1	23	26	68	10	14	1	389
Manchester	216	271	98	206	10	23	69	132	175	62	109	8	1,379
Nashua	304	258	75	137	18	25	87	141	160	37	86	6	1,334
Portsmouth	228	172	32	135	7	16	30	31	193	44	52	7	947
Salem	99	62	28	24	2	0	14	35	27	7	11	6	315

Source: Employment Security Automated Reporting System - Table A96

Active Applicants are individuals who have contacted a local office of the Department of Employment Security to seek employment or obtain employability development services, and are currently seeking employment. The numbers in this table do not represent only applicants registered during the month.

JOB OPENINGS RECEIVED BY INDUSTRY
JUNE 1988

	Agr., For. & Fish.	Construc. & Mining	Man-ufact-uring	Trans., Comm. & Util.	Trade	Fin., Ins. & Real Est.	Services	Public Admin.	Government	Total
State	282	273	373	70	483	67	450	46	111	2044
Berlin	0	11	25	2	41	0	21	1	2	101
Claremont	6	14	50	5	17	0	19	3	6	114
Concord	5	23	9	1	16	6	22	5	5	87
Conway	4	9	6	0	29	3	14	0	0	65
Dover	3	27	54	2	47	10	62	4	39	204
Keene	25	32	32	5	48	8	27	1	5	178
Laconia	10	25	31	16	69	2	50	2	9	205
Lebanon	1	11	7	7	15	4	30	2	4	79
Littleton	3	20	14	4	28	8	33	1	1	111
Manchester	116	37	46	6	73	14	73	7	5	373
Nashua	90	19	41	11	29	6	26	4	5	226
Portsmouth	11	33	41	9	53	5	56	8	22	216
Salem	6	10	15	2	20	1	14	1	1	69
All Other	0	1	2	0	3	0	3	2	2	16

Source: Employment Security Automated Reporting System - Table 10

ACTIVE JOB APPLICANTS, BY SEX, AGE, NUMBER OF MINORITIES
AND NUMBER OF VETERANS
JUNE 1988

	Male	Female	Eligible Claimant Minority	Veterans	Age Group Less Than 45	Age Group 45 And Over	Non-Agr. Open Rec.	Unfilled Total	Open 30 Days Or More	Total Acct. Apps.
State	5,182	4,196	3,522	315	1,791	7,676	1,702	1,804	2,746	1,755	9,378
Berlin	219	150	86	3	29	309	60	101	201	147	369
Claremont	220	135	103	2	83	267	88	110	105	58	355
Concord	803	496	521	18	340	1,047	252	83	168	114	1,299
Conway	76	49	36	0	23	97	28	62	90	64	125
Dover	654	581	478	22	213	1,057	178	205	231	119	1,235
Keene	383	332	179	5	160	602	113	153	215	119	715
Laconia	276	284	179	1	55	482	78	209	310	173	560
Lebanon	203	153	104	6	81	284	72	81	156	119	356
Littleton	203	186	68	3	51	314	75	112	115	71	389
Manchester	725	654	653	80	238	1,112	267	258	291	147	1,379
Nashua	722	612	638	119	251	1,057	277	137	182	106	1,334
Portsmouth	532	415	311	38	220	794	153	213	363	255	947
Salem	166	149	166	18	57	254	61	64	139	106	315
All Other								16	180	167	

Source: Employment Security Automated Reporting System - Table A96

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME - 1987

Rank	State	Income	% of US Average	Rank	State	Income	% of US Average
1	Connecticut	$21,266	137	26	Arizona	$14,315	92
2	New Jersey	20,352	131	27	Vermont	14,302	92
3	Massachusetts	19,142	124	28	Georgia	14,300	92
4	Alaska	18,230	118	29	Iowa	14,236	92
5	Maryland	18,124	117	30	Oregon	14,041	91
6	New York	18,004	116	31	Maine	13,954	90
7	California	17,821	115	32	Indiana	13,914	90
8	**New Hampshire**	**17,529**	**113**	33	Texas	13,866	90
9	Delaware	16,696	108	34	North Carolina	13,314	86
10	Virginia	16,517	107	35	North Dakota	13,004	84
11	Illinois	16,442	106	36	Tennessee	12,880	83
12	Nevada	16,366	106	37	Wyoming	12,709	82
13	Minnesota	15,927	103	38	Oklahoma	12,551	81
14	Hawaii	15,679	101	39	South Dakota	12,550	81
15	Washington	15,599	101	40	Montana	12,347	80
16	Colorado	15,584	101	41	Kentucky	12,059	78
17	Florida	15,584	101	42	South Carolina	12,004	78
18	Rhode Island	15,555	100	43	Alabama	11,940	77
—	**United States**	**15,481**	—	44	New Mexico	11,875	77
19	Michigan	15,393	99	45	Idaho	11,868	77
20	Pennsylvania	15,212	98	46	Arkansas	11,507	74
21	Kansas	15,126	98	47	Louisiana	11,473	74
22	Wisconsin	14,742	95	48	Utah	11,366	73
23	Missouri	14,687	95	49	West Virginia	11,020	71
24	Ohio	14,612	94	50	Mississippi	10,292	66
25	Nebraska	14,328	93				

NEW HAMPSHIRE PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	Income	Percent Change from Previous Year	Percent of United States Average	Rank
1987	$17,529	6.9%	113.2%	8
1986	16,396	6.7%	112.3%	8
1985	15,373	9.3%	110.6%	8
1984	14,060	10.0%	107.2%	10
1983	12,787	10.3%	105.7%	11
1982	11,591	6.4%	101.0%	18
1981	10,898	—	99.5%	28

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

U. S. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

Item	1988	1987	1986	1985
All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)				
All Items (1982-84=100)				
Current Month - June	118.0			
Percent change from year ago	4.0			
Year Average		113.6	109.6	
Percent change each year		3.6	--	
All Items (1967=100)				
Current Month - June	353.5			
Percent change from year ago	3.9			
Year Average		340.4	328.4	322.2
Percent change each year		3.7	1.9	3.6
Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)				
All Items (1982-84=100)				
Current Month - June	116.7			
Percent change from year ago	3.8			
Year Average		112.5	108.6	
Percent change each year		3.6	--	
All Items (1967=100)				
Current Month - June	347.6			
Percent change from year ago	3.8			
Year Average		335.0	323.4	318.5
Percent change each year		3.6	1.5	3.5

NOTE:

Commencing with the January issue of Economic Conditions in New Hampshire, we began publishing a new Consumer Price Index series which uses the years 1982-1984 as the base period. Costs of a typical market basket of goods during that time span are indexed at 100. Periodic revisions in the consumer price index are necessary since new goods and services become available to consumers and spending patterns change over time. Data for both series will be provided for a transitional period. During this time there may be instances where the monthly rates of increase in the indexes will differ. Again, this will be due to the different weights assigned to various categories of goods.

Weekly Claims Filed During June
Classified by Local Office

Area	Unemployment Compensation Initial Claims	Unemployment Compensation Continued Claims	U. C. State Workers (Only) Initial Claims	U. C. State Workers (Only) Continued Claims	UC Local Government Initial Claims	UC Local Government Continued Claims	Ex-Military Servicemen (UCX Only) Initial Claims	Ex-Military Servicemen (UCX Only) Continued Claims	U.C. Federal Employees No UI Initial Claims	U.C. Federal Employees No UI Continued Claims
All Offices	2,337	8,329	1	11	11	9	22	50	15	13
Berlin	76	363	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1
Claremont	62	405	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Concord	174	701	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	0
Conway	24	209	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Dover	224	757	1	1	0	0	5	15	4	4
Keene	100	371	0	0	2	5	1	2	1	0
Laconia	114	393	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1
Lebanon	38	108	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3
Littleton	90	252	0	3	1	0	0	4	0	0
Manchester	658	1,827	0	0	0	0	5	10	3	0
Nashua	330	1,127	0	0	3	1	2	0	1	0
Portsmouth	201	599	0	3	0	0	3	11	2	1
Salem	104	284	0	0	4	3	1	0	0	0
Liable Interstate	142	933	0	2	0	0	1	2	1	3

The average payment for a week of total unemployment was $127.87

Unemployment Compensation Fund Balance End of Month

$174,421,671.44

Net contributions received during month:

$148,642.71

Net benefits paid during month:

$781,437.15

Interest Received:

$3,579,114.28